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SUBJECT: POLITICAL ROLE OF OPUS DEI

REF: MADRID 5784

DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES USEFUL DISCUSSION OF OPUS DEI IN  
REFTEL AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE FULLER EMBASSY ASSESSMENT OF  
PERSISTENT STORIES THAT OPUS DEI PLAYED SIGNIFICANT ROLE IN  
REMOVAL OF ARIAS AND FORMATION OF NEW CABINET. ASSESSMENT  
SHOULD INCLUDE BEST ESTIMATES ON OPUS MEMBERSHIP AND  
DESCRIPTION OF OPUS POLICY-MAKING APPARATUS AS WELL AS  
ANALYSIS OF LIKELY OPUS INFLUENCE ON GOS POLICY DECISIONS.  
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